

1. A surgical table comprising:
 - a patient support surface;
 - a base having a base frame;
 - a support column extending between said base frame and said support surface;
 - a carriage coupled for relative movement with said base frame, said carriage including a plurality of spaced-apart rolling members and a pair of yokes each pivotally coupled to said base frame, each of said yokes carrying at least one of said rolling members said carriage; and
- 10 a lifting mechanism operative for transferring a lifting force to said linkages sufficient to move said yokes relative to said base frame, said lifting mechanism capable of moving said yokes relative to said base frame between a first position in which said carriage is movable on said rolling members and a second position in which said carriage is not movable on said rolling members.

2. The surgical table of claim 1 wherein each of said linkages includes a movable bar, a first pair of relatively pivotal link arms at one end of the bar and a second pair of relatively pivotal link arms at another end of the bar, each of said first and said second relatively pivotal link arms pivotally coupling said bar with one of said yokes, said bar movable to orient said first and said second relatively pivotal link arms in a first orientation which provides said first position and a second orientation that provides said second position.

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3. The surgical table of claim 1 wherein said base frame includes a rotatable actuator to which said pair of yokes are pivotally coupled, said rotatable actuator having a lever for rotating said pair of linkages to move said yokes relative to said base frame.

4. The surgical table of claim 1 wherein said base frame has a longitudinal axis and a transverse axis and includes a longitudinally-spaced pair of transversely-extending flanges projecting downwardly therefrom, said flanges engaging the ground in the second position for inhibiting rolling movement of

5 said rolling members.